

# THE THOMAS COUNTY CAT.

W. G. PORTER & CO., Publishers.

Coal oil at the Central.  
Boots and arctics at Boerner Bros.  
8 packages good coffee at Donelan's.  
Prices are cut seriously at Donelan's.  
100 barrels of apples cheap at Brady's.  
For the best board go to the Windsor.  
Go to M. Donelan for the best overcoats.  
Boerner Bros. furnish every style of boots and arctics.  
Money loaned on chattels at Thomas county Bank, north of brick store.  
Go to Weld Bros. for money on chattel mortgage.  
Overcoats regardless of cost at M. Donelan's.  
Go to the Windsor, the best hotel in town.  
Yousse's stage line goes to Oberlin every day.  
Meglemre sells more windmills than anybody else.  
Meglemre has just received a car load of star windmills.  
For abstracts of titles, call on Weld Bros., abstractors.  
When you go to Oberlin, go by Colby and Oberlin stage line.  
Patent medicines of every description at Walker & Yousse's.  
Colby and Oberlin stage line is the best conveyance to Oberlin.  
Men's, women's and children's articles at J. W. Allen & Sons.  
Finest dressing cases can be found at the Central Drug Store.  
Don't forget the fine line of druggists' sundries at the Palace Drug Store.  
Real estate and chattel loans. WELD BROS.  
Fancy articles of all kinds at the City Drug Store.  
Try a sack of M. Donelan's seventy-five cent flour.  
All prescriptions carefully and promptly compounded at the City Drug Store.  
Then go to Walker & Yousse's. (Get footed, didn't you?)  
Kansas Mutual insurance company, Weld Bros., agents.  
Patent medicines of every kind at the Central Drug Store.  
Five thousand dollars to loan on chattel mortgages by Weld Bros.  
If you want an entertaining novel to read go to the Central Drug Store.  
Did you know you could buy a sack of flour at Donelan's for 75c?  
A choice selection of novels and books of all kinds at the Central Drug Store.  
Smoke the Judie cigar found at the Central Drug store. Best in the world.  
The old reliable 5 cent cigars, "Saler's Stand Bye" at Walker & Yousse's.  
Clocks, watches and jewelry neatly repaired at Sun Beam photograph gallery.  
For the best and freshest meat go to Gillispie's meat market.  
For best winter overcoats go to M. Donelan's. They are the cheapest and best.  
Champagne, wines and liquors of every sort at the Central, for medicinal purposes.  
Prescriptions carefully and promptly compounded day or night at the Central Drug Store.  
We are going to give special bargains in ladies' cloaks from now 'til the holidays. J. W. ALLEN & SONS.  
Look at those beautiful picture frame at the Central Drug Store. The best in the market.  
For low rates on farm loans call on Wilcox & Woodward, office adjoining the postoffice.  
Daylight Soap, a wonderful discovery for house cleaning. Call at the Central and get a box.  
Don't purchase paint until you have called at the Central Drug Store. We can save you money.  
Meglemre & Marble have the very best coal for sale cheap, \$10 per ton at Colby implement firm office.  
The Kansas Mutual will insure your stock and buildings against fire, lightning and tornadoes. Weld Bros. agents.  
Remember the old Pioneer on the corner is the place to buy dry goods, groceries, boots and shoes, etc.  
You can get more good nourishment out of a ten cent can of corn at Donelan's than anywhere else for the money.  
All those indebted to me will please call in and settle at once. M. DONELAN.  
FIFTY CENTS—is the price of Chamberlain's cough remedy, the safest and best cough medicine in the market. Sold by Walker & Yousse's.  
We still lead in prices on groceries, provisions, queensware, glassware, etc. J. W. ALLEN & SONS.  
C. C. Siggins & Co. loan money on real estate and take but one mortgage. No second mortgage for interest or cut throat clauses.  
TAKE NOTICE—All persons knowing themselves indebted to me must call and settle at once. This must be attended to. M. DONELAN.  
TAKE NOTICE—All persons knowing themselves indebted to me will please call and settle before the 1st of February by cash or note.  
C. H. MARTIN & BRO.  
EXTRAORDINARY OFFER!—To all paying up dues on CAT, and to all new subscribers, we will give the History of Thomas County and Colby gratis. This is a rare offer, and all should take advantage of it.  
Strayed from my place on or about the 15th of November, one sorrel horse pony blazed face, well branded and plain saddle marks. One horse colt, tip of one ear off. A liberal reward offered for information as to his whereabouts. Address P. A. Cope, Eustis, Kansas.  
HEADQUARTERS CHARLES O'ROVILLE POST, COLBY, KANS.  
All old soldiers, sailors and marines of northwestern Kansas are requested to assemble at Colby, Kansas, on the 12th day of February, for the purpose of holding a grand camp fire and getting acquainted with each other. Good speakers will be in attendance and suitable entertainment will be provided.

Call on I. H. Bullers for hardware.  
Frank Pingree has a good office to rent.  
Many new firms will start in business in Colby this spring.  
J. R. Sims, Colby, Kans., pays the highest price for ear corn.  
Chris Shirey and Frank Allison went to Oakley Wednesday.  
Dr. C. H. Martin has been on the sick list this week, but is better now.  
Farm loans at 7 per cent interest, only one mortgage, at State Bank of Colby.  
Many are now troubled with sore throats. It seems to be sort of epidemic.  
A new furniture store is to be started at Colby soon by parties from Red Cloud Neb.  
A. G. McBride, attorney, of Oberlin, was registered at the Windsor Tuesday night.  
Tuesday evening there was a lively dance at Mr. Edward Lawrence's, south of Colby.  
For vacant land call on Duff & Porter. They have some choice direct from government.  
Born, to Mr. and Mrs. L. A. Lewis, a boy, Monday, January 24th. Dr. J. W. Martin attended.  
Born, Sunday, January 23d, to Mr. and Mrs. Fred Winkelman, a boy. Dr. J. W. Martin attended.  
There was a dance at Mr. Adamson's Friday eve. last. It was enjoyed by one hundred persons.  
A. W. Patchin bought the lumber for his dwelling house of Chas. Page, of Monument, Kansas.  
Chas. Hovey and W. S. Wilcox went to Russell Springs Wednesday to attend the drawing of town lots.  
J. H. Lesh, who lives in the south part of Morgan township, was in the city Tuesday, and a caller at this office.  
One year ago to day people were freezing to death in Thomas county. Now people go without an overcoat and light wraps.  
Judge Adams is building a court house 14x20, between the Town Co's. office and Joe Lamont's barber shop. The judge will arrange the office in excellent shape.  
A. N. Wright, of Iowa, bought one block of lots in the north part of town last week. He is rich and will move to this city with his family in the early spring.  
A. W. Patchin is quite sick again with his throat. He was not up to his store all Tuesday. We hope he will not have diphtheria, and that he will be around again soon.  
Mr. L. D. Mason, of Weston, Missouri, is stopping with Mrs. Martin. He is looking for investments, and as he is highly pleased with Colby, will without doubt invest and stop with us.  
E. P. Worcester is up around again after his late severe illness. Dr. C. H. Martin had charge of the case and brought him through in a manner that speaks volumes for the professional skill of Dr. M.  
The telegraph operator at Kanona recently received a dispatch that Fitzgerald, the great railroad contractor, has the contract to build the B. & M. road immediately from Kanona to Colby. The material is at Kanona now.  
J. Alcot, of Seward, Neb., is in town this week. He will start a hardware store south of the city restaurant. Shanklin & Vail have the contract to put up a large building right away. Mr. Alcot is said to be an excellent business man.  
CUTLER.—Preaching on Friday evening. Preparatory service on Saturday at 2 p. m. Preaching and communion of the Lord's Supper on Sabbath at 11 a. m. and preaching in the evening. All invited. J. W. VANEMAN.  
Miss McFarland, Bought a Garland (Bullers sell that stove). It will last her 'Till the plaster Fall off from the cove.  
I hereby politely request farmers who wish to buy cane and millet seed, or if they have any to sell, to call at their convenience, as I wish to confer with them to ascertain how much will be needed. I have also seed for a great variety of choice garden, field and tree seeds. Yours respectfully, I. H. BULLERS.  
Notice is hereby given that the annual meeting of the stockholders of the First National Bank of Colby will be held at the banking office at Colby, Kansas, at 10 o'clock a. m., upon the 24th day of February, for the purpose of electing directors for the ensuing year, and to consider other important business.  
Arrangements should be made for a grand excursion from Kansas City and points east this spring, when the railroad is completed. There is enough to induce people to come. A public sale of city lots, 160,000 acres of railroad land, and the best town and county in the state to see.  
The band supper Tuesday evening was a success. The supper was unusually good, and many partook, to help out the band boys. The ladies of this city furnished pies, etc., and the boys did the rest. Misses Weld, Beaver, and Mrs. John Bean helped out on the tables. We congratulate the band on their enterprise. The people of Colby should assist the band in every way possible. Their advancement is unusually excellent, and Colby in a few months can boast of having the best band in western Kansas. The net receipts from the supper were \$25.00.  
By request of a number of persons we this week publish the sermon delivered last Sunday evening by I. H. Bullers. The editor hereof has not read the sermon and probably never will on account of life being too short, etc., but urges its careful perusal. There certainly ought to be something interesting in the story of the wooing of Rebecca, and we know of no one that can fix up the details and sling in the preliminaries from a vivid imagination better than Mr. Bullers. He can probably draw on his own experience to portray Isaac's longings and dreams of connubial bliss.  
J. W. Martin, of the firm of Martin Bros., of Colby, Kansas, has been in town a day or two looking over the field for the drug business. Mr. Martin has the appearance of a wide awake and thorough business man, who is gifted with a faculty of discerning a good prospect from a poor one, and after a careful and intelligent survey of the field he determined that Wano offers the greatest inducements for safe and profitable investments of any town in northwestern Kansas, and just such men and more of them is what we want here.—[Cheyenne County Rustler.]

**Programme**  
For school entertainment one week from next Friday evening:  
Music.  
Opening remarks by Prof. Sullivan.  
Song, by choir.  
Recitation, Nannie Campbell.  
Reading, Allen Simms.  
Music, L. H. Bullers.  
Recitation, Geo. Troutfetter.  
Essay, Hattie Dedrick.  
Recitation, Gracie Weld.  
Paper, part 1, Jean Jardine.  
Music, May Donelan.  
Oration, Herbert Lynde.  
Recitation, Charles Dedrick.  
Solo, Jean Jardine.  
Debate by Newton Williams and Clara Beaver.  
Music, by Hattie High.  
Paper, part 2, Walter Burling.  
Reading, Laura Weld.  
Music, Clara Beaver.  
Dialogue by Chas. Olds and others.  
Closing remarks by H. E. Weld.  
Song, by the choir.  
Mike Donelan's baby is quite sick this week.  
Three cans of corn at M. Donelan's for 25 cents.  
All the swells smoke the Colby Belle. For sale at E. P. Hovey's.  
A. W. Patchin is building a dwelling in the south part of town.  
Gillespie brothers are putting up a large addition to their livery barn.  
Farm loans at 7 per cent interest, only one mortgage, at State Bank of Colby.  
Wilcox & Woodward give the best rates on real estate loans.  
Have you heard the news? Wilcox & Woodward make the cheapest loans on real estate.  
Before making your chattel loans, call at the Farmers' & Merchants' Bank. It will pay you.  
I. W. Crumly informs us that J. W. Gilmore has already put up three hundred tons of ice.  
C. H. Martin & Bros', favorite cigar The Palace.  
The Belle of Colby is the boss cigar, at E. P. Hovey's.  
Make your short loans of the Farmers' and Merchants' Bank.  
Money loaned on chattels at the lowest rates of interest at the Farmers' and Merchants' Bank.  
The B. & M. railroad surveyors smoke the Belle of Colby cigar, and pronounce it the best 5-cent cigar extant. For sale at E. P. Hovey's.  
Call on W. G. Porter before before you make out your notice to prove up. It will be an object to you.  
Gasoline at the Central Drug Store.  
Palace cigar is the best 5 cent cigar in Colby.  
50 different styles of blank books and pocket books at Martin Bros'.  
A fine line of box paper received at the Palace drug store since the holidays.  
Villar T. Villar cigars are the best 10 cent goods in western Kansas. At Martin Bros.  
10 cent Twisters. Try them. Every one knows that you are smoking a 10 cent. At the Palace.  
Wilcox & Woodward, east of post office, make the best terms and rates on real estate loans.  
Lost, on Christmas afternoon in Colby, a dark brown rail, 14 yards long, unhemmed. Finder will please leave at this office.  
We have just received a large stock of solid silver and silver-plated table ware at low figures.  
C. H. MARTIN & BRO.  
I have some of the cheapest relinquishments for sale in the county.  
FRANK PINGREE.  
Farm loans at 7 per cent interest, only one mortgage, at State Bank of Colby.  
You will shoot wide of the mark and lose money if you buy an overcoat without first getting prices at J. W. Allen & Sons.  
Mrs. B. F. Walter has opened a dress making establishment west of the court house. Good work guaranteed. Please give her a call.  
Life will acquire new zest, and cheerfulness return, if you will impel your liver and kidneys to the performance of their functions. Dr. J. H. McLean's Liver and Kidney Balm will stimulate them to healthy action. \$1.00 per bottle.  
Remember, we have more different patent medicines than any house west of Topeka.  
Farm loans at 7 per cent interest, only one mortgage, at State Bank of Colby.  
Don't forget the large show case full of jewelry both solid and plated, at the Palace Drug Store.  
FOR SALE—At a bargain, one of the best stock farms in Thomas county. Inquire of Mart Witham.  
Have you seen the superb scrap albums at the Central? Albums of all kinds at the Central Drug Store.  
The Palace drug store carries all the celebrated brands of whisky, wines, gin, brandies, beer, etc., exclusively for medicinal purposes.  
Farm loans at 7 per cent interest, only one mortgage, at State Bank of Colby.  
**LOOK! LOOK!**  
You lovers of music, call at Martin Bros. and examine their fine line of guitars, violins, accordions, french harps, jews harps, &c. Call and hear their sweet tones whether you purchase or not.  
**Moved**  
My office to next building south of brick hotel. Call and see me if you want bottom rates on farm or chattel loans.  
F. C. FINKERTY.

**Subscribe for the CAT.**  
Old papers for sale at this office.  
It has been like an Indian summer this far this winter.  
Chas. Hovey turned over to the state treasurer over \$7,000.  
Money to loan as cheap as the cheapest.  
FRANK PINGREE.  
Colby is looked upon by all as the great railroad center of western Kansas.  
J. W. Allen & Sons are to put in a tailor's stock, and have sent for a tailor all ready.  
Quite an excitement over the selection of railroad land. Come early to get good selection.  
During the past year \$70,000 has been expended by the I. O. O. F. for distressed brethren.  
There are 12,000 Odd Fellows in the state of Kansas, and 500,000 in the world. Kansas has 300 lodges.  
Mr. Swales desires to extend his sincere thanks to those who aided him in paying the costs in his recent law suit.  
The railroad land sells for from \$4 to \$7 cash, or one-fifth cash, two options, the balance bearing 7 per cent interest.  
C. E. Chandler, of Oberlin, the owner of the Colby Hardware Company, was in town last week looking after his interests.  
The new branch railroad is already dealing out good effects, and real estate is in great demand, both in the city and county.  
Col. A. S. Johnson, the first white man born in Kansas, has been requested to donate his portrait to the state historical society.  
Albert Baker, one of John Bean's saddlebags, returned from Arkansas City last week, where he had been on a visit with his sister.  
J. B. McGonigal is in Kansas City this week, and will come back with full information respecting railroad lands in Thomas county.  
The western counties seem to favor voting bonds while the eastern counties oppose it, at least now that their counties are full of railroads.  
The question is frequently asked "How large is the circulation of the CAT?" We would say in reply thereto that 1900 CATs are mailed each week.  
Born, to Mr. and Mrs. James Summers a girl, Jan. 20th. Mr. Summers is our popular county clerk, and gave the boys a box of the best cigars.  
Mr. Hull, of the Thomas County Bank, has returned from Stella, Neb., with his wife. They will live in the house Mr. Hull bought of Mr. High.  
Will the Missouri Pacific submit the bonds to Thomas county, and if so, will Thomas county vote them, and if they vote them how much will she vote?  
The wheel scrapers in the eastern part of town are working lively now. The best and pleasantest weather prevails, and the work goes on correspondingly.  
There are no sand hills in northwestern Kansas—no Arkansas sand hills. Come to Thomas county this spring. It will boom more than any county in the state.  
J. B. Hampton, a young druggist from Colby, was in wano the fore part of the week looking up the prospects for a drug store here.—[Cheyenne County Rustler.]  
The Santa Fe is building from Great Bend, Kansas, to Denver. Ness and Lane counties have voted bonds. Scott, Wichita and Greeley counties will doubtless soon.  
The Hoxie Sentinel wants to know if Hoxie has a lively stable or feed stable? Where in the world is Hoxie? She should advertise for one. Colby has four, each and all large and full of business.  
Dr. J. W. Martin, with his popular clerk, has returned from his trip to Wano, Voltaire, and Eustis. The Dr. says he saw no such live towns as Colby, and that Thomas has many more settlers than Cheyenne county.  
The pleasant and entertaining gentleman who twists the tail of the Thomas CAT, otherwise known as W. G. Porter, a leading attorney of the west, and editor of the Thomas County CAT, was on the floor of the house.—[Commonwealth.]  
The county treasurer of Thomas county, Mr. Chas. Hovey, with his wife and child, took in the house yesterday afternoon and saw the assembled solons. He was shown the beauties of the hall by Hon. G. W. Goodsoe.—[Commonwealth.]  
In the suit of Mr. Swales vs. T. Harris, for damages done by Mr. Harris' cattle, a settlement was effected whereby the defendant paid \$20 and costs. The amount sued for was \$150. Weld and Lessinger appeared for plaintiff, and Wilcox and Duff for defendant.  
On Monday a man was knocked down and kicked and beaten in one of our drug stores, and no one was arrested. Three men drunk and reeling on the streets and insulting people, and none arrested. What is the city organization for, and what are tax payers paying taxes for?  
It may not be generally known that there are now being published in the state of Kansas 753 newspapers and periodicals the regular issues of which are all being preserved in the library of the state historical society. This society has for the last eleven years gathered all Kansas newspapers and bound the same.  
Messrs. Martin, of the firm of Martin Bros. of Colby, and Hampton, their head prescription clerk, made the Democrat a call Wednesday, and chatted pleasantly of old days in Colby. We are pained to learn that some of our old friends in that city are behaving in a scandalous manner—getting married and indulging in unseemly hilarity therat, etc.—[Cheyenne County Democrat.]  
There is a family living near Shannon, in this county, by the name of Benton, who has an infant that has two tongues. It is a remarkable curiosity. It is also a remarkable fact that the baby is a female. Nature seems to have made a mistake. We hardly see the necessity of a babe of that sex having more than one tongue. We trust, however, that the little thing may live and use both its tongues for good.—[Atchison Times.]  
There is to be a grand camp fire at Colby, February 12th. Each year reminds us of how great a debt we owe the gallant soldiers who fought and bled that the Union might be preserved in its entirety. This is an occasion at which all should gather. The death of Gen. Logan is a sad reminder of how fast the noble and brave ones are passing away. Let all give it encouragement by their presence and good cheer. We bespeak a full and happy meeting, and as all know what good times Colby furnishes on all such occasions, crowds will be here sure. Come one, come all.

**MERRY WEDDING BELLS.**  
MARRIED—At the residence of the bride's parents, in Stella, Neb., Thursday evening, January 6th, 1887, Mr. Edward S. Malone, and Miss Flora I. Hull, Rev. I. D. Newell, officiating.  
Gold was the night without, but the cozy parlors of the happy home were radiant with light, love and joy. Before the clock struck the appointed hour of eight, the last of the large company honored with invitations had assembled, and prompt to the minute the happy groom and the blushing bride, preceded by their attendants, Mr. A. L. Moore and Miss Anna Dye, moved to their places on the floor, and the solemn ceremony began. The responses of groom and bride were firm and clear. The words "husband and wife," which bind two trusting hearts to a common destiny, were spoken, a short fervent prayer was uttered, and another cup of human joy was full.  
The congratulations of the family were followed by the hearty well-wishing of all present. Then came the announcement that refreshments were in waiting, and the happy company were soon seated around tables loaded with a bountiful repast. The wedding feast was supplemented with social converse, song, repartee and laughter, and at a late hour the guests reluctantly spoke their adieus and dispersed long to cherish recollections of one of the most brilliant and happy events in the history of Stella. The Tribune joins in with the hearty congratulations and well wishes of their hosts of friends. May their life be one of constant joy, happiness and prosperity. The many beautiful and valuable presents, a list of which we give below, are tokens of the high esteem in which they are held by their friends and relatives.—[Stella, Neb., Tribune.]  
The bride is the daughter of Mr. D. H. Hull, of the Thomas County Bank, and among the long list of presents we notice \$1,000 stock in the Thomas County Bank, from Mr. Hull to the bride.  
**MARRIED.**  
W. H. Thompson to Emma J. Barlow, both of Atchison Co. Missouri, January 25th, 1887, by Justice N. J. Adams.  
This is the judge's first marriage. The contracting parties will reside in Thomas county. The CAT wishes them a happy journey through life.  
Settlers are now going to No Man's Land.  
More strangers in town than usual now a-days.  
The boom is turning to northwestern Kansas.  
Parties are beginning to prove up in large numbers again.  
Large crowd in town Monday. The streets were very lively.  
W. C. Dart, Lou Dart's brother, is in the city from Utica, Neb.  
J. W. Jennings, of Atchison, and Everett Doon, of Oberlin, were in Colby Saturday.  
Frank Pingree is in town most of the time now attending to land and insurance business.  
M. Ainslie, of Oakley, and Jas. Armstrong, of Grainfield, were in the city Saturday last.  
The great Northwest is to have more railroads built in 1887 than any other part of Kansas.  
Van Wyck was downed by ex U. S. Senator Paddock for next term in U. S. senate from Nebraska.  
Mr. L. U. Winslow, of Otterbourne, was a caller Saturday.  
Hon. Frank P. Bacon was confirmed by the U. S. Senate on the 12th inst. He will immediately succeed A. L. Patchin as register in Oberlin land office.  
At the special term of district court in Decatur county, there was one conviction. J. M. Williams was sent up for two years. Larceny was the charge.  
J. T. Patterson, A. Rexford and L. D. White, were in from Harper's Ferry, in the northeast part of county, on a proof, Saturday last.  
Sheridan county is to organize two new townships. Thomas county will need more as settlers come into the south part of the county.  
J. S. Warden is hauling brick for his new block to be built in Frankfort in the spring. It will cover three blocks.—[Atchison Anchor.]  
Mr. Warden is vice president of the 1st National Bank of Colby, and will help build the brick of same at Colby this summer.  
280,000 immigrants have landed within the borders of Kansas this last year. They bring an average of \$100, aggregating \$28,000,000. Still more will come this year.  
Hon. Geo. W. Goodsoe is a member of the judiciary committee. This is the best committee of the house, and means that northwestern Kansas is well represented and is recognized.  
The following had essays last week at the public school: Pearl Ellithorpe, subject Kansas; Grace McCarty, subject Sheridan county; Jonathan Kuhn, subject Hoxie; Byron Ford, subject Cat. All done well.—[Hoxie Democrat.]  
The people living in the southern part of Rawlins county are now coming to Colby to trade. They say they can do better than at Atwood. When the cars run into Colby it will be the liveliest town in Western Kansas, if it is not now.  
One of the firm of C. H. Martin & Bro. of Colby, were here Wednesday and Thursday of this week with a view to locating in the drug business. They bought quite a number of lots while here.—[Cheyenne County Democrat.]  
Hon. G. W. Goodsoe has introduced three bills thus far, one amending the law relating to interest on money, one to detach Sherman county from Thomas county, and one relating to making section lines public roads. The last will never pass, being class legislation.  
We see by an esteemed Colby exchange that fifty extra CATs were sold in that city last week. Such an exchange of felices is suggestive of an unlimited supply of old malds. Bro. Porter would confer a favor by making mention of the fact that Bird City has bachelors to about equal the number of Colby's old malds, upon the basis of one cat per O. M.—[Cheyenne County Democrat.]  
Everett Doon, formerly of the firm of Bertram & Doon, of Oberlin, now of the Oberlin Loan and Trust company, was in the city Saturday. Mr. Doon says they will establish a permanent agency here and put out a large amount of loans. The capital of the Oberlin Loan and Trust company will be February 1st be increased from \$25,000 to \$100,000, making it one of the strongest companies in western Kansas.

Great rush to Thomas this spring.  
Tom Reed was in the city last week.  
Will Sager was up from Oakley Sunday.  
The spring boom is beginning to be felt in Colby.  
N. H. Porter went to Wichita county Monday.  
Judge Adams is trying law cases most of the time.  
Now is the time to invest in Colby and Thomas county lands.  
Gopher P. O., St. John county, has been changed to Winona.  
Colby has the brightest prospects of any city in western Kansas.  
Colby is looked upon as the coming railroad center of western Kansas.  
Subscribe for the CAT now and you get a history of Colby and Thomas county.  
E. P. Worcester, who has been quite sick with quinsy sore throat, is around again.  
M. D. Lessinger, attorney, has proved up and will move to town with his family soon.  
Messrs. R. T. Heming and Frank Ladd of Quickville, made us a pleasant call last week.  
People in eastern Kansas are beginning to feel that there is a great northwest as well as southwest.  
Mrs. Hull, wife of Mr. Hull, the banker, brought some fine looking plants with her from Stella, Neb.  
Judge Newell is now at his home in Frankfort recuperating. He will return before long, we trust.  
Mr. Chas. Page, the popular and successful lumber dealer of Ennis City, was up Monday and called on us.  
People subscribe for the CAT because it has all the news, and they know they will get their money's worth.  
Bird City had its election of city officers Tuesday, January 18th, and is now a bona fide city of the 3d class.  
Write to your friends about the railroad land and have them come to Thomas county, the best county in Kansas.  
D. J. Batchelder, O. S. McDowell, and Jno. Edmunds, of Eustis, made our metropolis a visit Saturday and Sunday.  
Mr. Tobias, probate judge of Sherman county, and editor of the New Tecumseh, was in the city Saturday and Sunday.  
The B. & M. surveyors have reached Eustis and gone on west, leaving Sherman center some 2 miles in the shade.  
J. P. Israel, the gentlemanly editor of the Ennis City Courier, was a city visitor Monday, and made us a pleasant call.  
Colby is the half-way station between Oberlin and Eustis, and hundreds stop here on their way to Eustis and Sherman county.  
W. S. Tilton, representative from Trego county, is chairman of the new committee on forestry. This is a deserving recognition.  
It is said the U. P. R.R. will put \$50,000 into Ottawa Co. to defeat bonds to the B. & M. and Santa Fe railroads. They don't want competition.  
Mr. Horner, ex county superintendent of Dickinson county, is here visiting Robt. McGonigal. He is well pleased with Colby and the new west.  
We are informed that the Oberlin land office has not suspended issuing notices for final proofs. The office is now out of blanks, hence business is delayed. Proofs can be made as usual.  
The governor's recommendation that a law be passed prohibiting voting bonds in aid of railroads, was reported unfavorably by the committee. Still the railroads control.  
Boston Corbett has been installed as assistant doorkeeper in the senate this winter. He is the man who shot Wilkes Booth, Lincoln's assassin. He is a farmer in eastern Kansas.  
Mr. Tobias, editor of the New Tecumseh, Eustis, says that there is a large demand for town lots in Eustis. Eustis being sure of county seat and a railroad, gives confidence in the town.  
Eustis is to have a brick yard. Parties from McCook, Nebraska, will start it in early spring. 300,000 have already been contracted for. Eustis expects to build a \$10,000 brick hotel in the spring.  
P. J. Assenmacher, proprietor of the Great Western Dry Goods House, returned to his home at Seneca, Kansas, Monday. He is highly pleased with Colby, and the success of his store here.  
Sam Yousse returned from Iowa Saturday. He says there is a foot of snow in Iowa and good sleighing. Mr. Yousse will go to Lincoln, Nebraska, by February 1st, to attend a damage suit of his against the B. & M. R. R. Co.  
**Wanted.**  
A good boy to herd sheep. Will pay \$6 per month. Enquire of Frank Pingree.  
**Wonderful Cures.**  
W. D. Hoyt & Co., wholesale and retail druggists of Rome, Ga., say: We have been selling Dr. King's New Discovery Electric Bitters, and Bucklen's Arnica Salve for two years. Have never handled remedies that sell as well or give such universal satisfaction. There have been some wonderful cures effected by these medicines in this city. Several cases of pronounced consumption have been entirely cured by the use of a few bottles of Dr. King's New Discovery, taken in connection with Electric Bitters. We guarantee them always. Sold by C. H. Martin & Bro.  
**Sugar Cane.**  
A lot of sugar cane in the shock for sale, 4 mile south of the J. W. Irwin farm, 24 miles south of Colby. Inquire on the premises. 47ft D. Olds.  
**MOVED**  
My office to next building south of brick hotel. Call and see me if you want bottom rates on farm or chattel loans.  
F. C. FINKERTY.

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